

ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER, DISTRICT OF HAMAKUA,
HAWAII.

DECEMBER 16, 1920.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

Mr. KALANIANA'OLE, from the Committee on Territories, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 9231.]

The Committee on the Territories, to whom was referred H. R. 9231, a bill to authorize and provide for the manufacture, maintenance, distribution, and supply of electric light and power within the district of Hamakua, on the island and county of Hawaii, Territory of Hawaii, having considered the same, report it to the House with the recommendation that the bill do pass with the following amendments:

On page 2, line 18, strike out the words "rules and regulations."

On page 3, line 1, strike out the words "poles not to interfere with streets."

On page 3, line 2, strike out the words "and so forth."

On page 3, line 11, strike out the words "plant subject to inspection."

On page 3, line 16, strike out the words "meters; charges; reasonableness, how."

On page 3, line 17, strike out the word "determined."

On page 4, line 9, strike out the words "charges for making connections."

On page 4, line 24, strike out the words "right to acquire property; limits to."

On page 5, line 6, strike out the words "power to borrow money and bonds."

On page 5, line 23, strike out the words "franchise not exclusive."

On page 6, line 9, strike out the words "forfeiture of franchise."

On page 6, line 22, strike out the words "annual statement; payment to gov-"

On page 6, line 23, strike out the word "ernment."

On page 7, line 14, strike out the words "franchise subject to reasonable-"

On page 7, line 15, strike out the words "ness; public utilities commission."

On page 10, line 17, strike out the words "franchise subject to amendment or."

On page 10, line 18, strike out the word "repeal."

This is a bill to authorize John Payne, his associates, successors, and assigns, or such corporations as he may or they shall cause to be incorporated, to supply and distribute electric light and power in the district of Hamakua, island and county of Hawaii, Territory of Hawaii.

The entire population in this district, including orientals, is about 20,000 people, and there is no prospect of any considerable increase. The population to be served during the first few years under the franchise will be about 3,000 or 4,000 people.

The bill reported herewith embodies verbatim the franchise bill passed by the Hawaiian Legislature.

The rates to be charged are regulated by the public utilities commission of Hawaii, and the franchise is not exclusive.

As an electric light service would be a desirable and proper convenience for this small community, your committee recommends that the bill do pass as amended.

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